

Habitat Guilds

Habitat-Based Guilds

Wildlife-Habitat Relationships and the Formulation of Habitat-based Guilds

To incorporate wildlife and vegetation into a sustained yield plan requires three steps, discovery of the nature of the wildlife and vegetation, prediction of the response of this biota to candidate management actions, and use of predicted responses as cost factors or constraints in the choice of a final management plan. This report addresses the first and second steps. Two problems prevent the accomplishment of the first step by simple tabulation of the species occupying a landscape; the wealth of natural history information for all species taken together is too large to enter into any conceivable management planning process, and for all its size this corpus of data contains, for many species, only the barest outlines of their natural histories and habitat requirements.

Three candidate approaches exist for reducing the complexity of the total biota. The first is to use the federal and state endangered species acts to decide what should represent biodiversity. It is common knowledge that some fraction of species listings are not motivated by concern so much for the species themselves as for concern for the species' putative habitats. Were this the case for the listed species living on PALCO's lands, one might follow this approach to conclude that a sufficient conservation strategy could be arrived at by concentrating solely on the needs of this small subset of the biota. We rejected such an approach on the grounds that listing a species inevitably requires an assessment that its population is low or declining. No scientific logic demands that species with low or declining populations be necessarily representative of a significant fraction of the local biota. Perhaps more troubling, listing a species solely as a means of preserving biodiversity requires an a priori judgment that the habitat of that species is a particularly important habitat. In our opinion assessment of the relative importances of different habitats in a particular landscape is not a task that can be done entirely from the literature or from theoretical reasoning; it requires local data, carefully collected.

Another approach` to simplifying biodiversity management involves identification of management indicator species. These are species selected to represent particular habitats. The use of management indicator species is a reasonable approach, but the identification of such species requires an appraisal of what habitats are important and what species best speak for them. This would require a great deal of time, research, and discussion within the scientific community. We agree with the report of the Wildlife/Science Committee to the Board of Forestry (Pendleton 1994) that if management indicators are to be used for sustained yield plans, then a process needs to be established at the bioregional level by which the scientific community identifies them.

A third approach, the approach taken in this report, is to aggregate species into groups that require similar ecological conditions. The term "guild" is used in community ecology to describe a group of species that use a particular class of resources. The original point of identifying a guild of species was to permit examination of the processes that influenced evolution and community

dynamics within the guild, but the concept of a guild is also useful for identifying species with common vulnerabilities. All members of the guild of hole-nesting birds, for example, are vulnerable to the elimination of dying trees and snags. We use the term "habitat guild" to describe species that might be expected to suffer if a particular forest habitat type were eliminated.

Landscape Scale

Before identifying habitat guilds, we must discuss briefly landscape scale and pattern. This issue has loomed large in the recent scientific literature. The report of the Ecological Society of America on ecosystem management (Christensen, et al. 1996) identified scientific concepts and actions essential to intelligent ecosystem management. A prominent component of these is recognition and management of processes operating on different spatial scales.

The choice of the proper landscape scale at which to manage for biodiversity is not obvious. Relating forest management activities at any scale to their impacts on the total biotic community is a fairly new research topic. Traditionally forest wildlife biologists were primarily interested in impacts of management activities on game populations. In the last decade that emphasis shifted in the western United States to assessing impacts on threatened and endangered species. Only recently has attention turned to biodiversity in general. The practical consequence is that one finds oneself working on the edge of the ecological sciences, where methods are still being developed and management goals are often unclear.

Two different landscape scales for assessing management impacts seem obvious from the literature. The older, more established approach concentrates on discovering the relationships of various species to an individual habitat type at the scale of the forest stand. The consequences for a species or guild are assumed to follow from the impacts of management on the gross quantities of the habitat types upon which it depends. This approach is typified by the California Wildlife Habitat Relationships (WHR) System (Mayer and Laudenslayer 1988).

Most research of the older school has been devoted to the influence of forest management on vertebrates in eastern forests (Wigley and Roberts 1994). Petranka et al. (1993) found that clearcutting reduced the diversity of salamanders for a period of 50-70 years. A similar pattern was exhibited by small mammals in the northern Appalachians (Kirkland 1977); clearcutting initially reduced the number of species, but diversity increased through the sapling and pole stages of regeneration. A great deal of research has treated the effects of timber management on birds. It tends to show similar patterns, although Welsh and Healey (1993) actually found that the diversity of birds was greater under even-aged management than on unmanaged areas. The avifauna in the east seems particularly sensitive to riparian-zone management; Stauffer and Best (1980) discovered that 70-78% of breeding bird species occurred in narrow riparian strips (< 50 m). Taken together these patterns have led some ecologists to suggest that forest management and biotic diversity can be accomodated simultaneously with creative silvicultural (Lennartz and Lancia 1987).

Northern California forests (especially coastal Douglas-fir communities) have long been assumed to conform to the traditional model of Northwest forest dynamics. In this model structural complexity is thought to build over time after some catastrophic disturbance and is thus better developed in old-growth than in younger seral stages (Edgerton & Thomas 1978, Manuwal & Huff 1987, Meslow 1978, Wiens 1978). A more recent perspective suggests that low- and moderate-

intensity disturbances (tree deaths; low-intensity fires) are at least as frequent as catastrophic events, and that by converting canopy trees to snags and logs, and by creating canopy openings and bare soils, they enhance structural and species diversity within all natural forest stages. Hansen et al. (1991) reviewed evidence for this point of view from a number of studies of plant and wildlife communities in Douglas-fir forests in the coastal Northwest, including northwestern California.

The biodiversity consequences of change in western forests have been variable, ranging from no effect of successional stage on wildlife diversity, to small effects on diversity, to "...species diversity increases as forest succession advances toward maturity..." (see Edgerton & Thomas 1978). Conclusions from two studies changed during the courses of the studies themselves (Raphael 1984, 1988, 1991, Welsh & Lind 1988, 1991). Adding to the variability, different studies have measured species diversity in different ways and have focused on different taxonomic groups.

In contrast to the traditional school of forest wildlife ecology, a newer approach accepts the findings of the older approach at the spatial scale of the forest stand but adds to it concern not just for the amount of a particular habitat but for its arrangement on the larger landscape. This landscape approach to forest wildlife management originated with concern over forest fragmentation (Saunders, et al. 1991). Studies of vertebrates living in the eastern deciduous forest indicated that while total species diversity may remain unchanged or even be higher in managed forests (Enge and Marion 1986, Mitchell and Lancia 1990) interior forest species were in decline and forest edge species were increasing (Whitcomb, et al. 1981, Robbins, et al. 1989, Terborgh 1989).

The extent to which landscape-scale research on eastern forests can be generalized to western forests is currently a matter of discussion (Hejl 1992). The patterns of landscape change are not entirely comparable. Fragmentation of the eastern deciduous forest has been much more severe, with very large areas showing patches of forest remaining as habitat islands in a matrix of land cleared for agriculture and urban development. Forests managed for commercial production of timber in the West, by comparison, retain timber as the dominant landscape matrix; clearings are the isolated patchy structure. The clearings themselves are different; they are smaller, particularly in California, and ephemeral. Unlike farmland or urban areas, western clearings become brushy within a few years after harvest, quickly softening the edges of adjacent forest stands as well as providing secondary habitats.

The greater topographic relief and the fire-dominated dynamic processes that characterize western forests have combined to produce patchy effects even in the absence of commercial forestry. These processes are different from the gap formation processes dominant in eastern deciduous forests, suggesting that one might expect a different set of evolutionary responses to a patchy landscape among the plants and animals that occupy western forests.

These and other differences between eastern and western forests and their biotas have led some to conclude that application of the emerging concepts of landscape ecology to the western forest is premature (McGarigal and McComb 1995). What is needed first is a series of basic empirical studies that relate landscape patterns in western forests to the biotic communities they support. Even a few theoretical ecologists have started to wonder whether the dominant ideas of landscape ecology might have been injected into the policy arena prematurely. Simberloff, et al.

(1992) observed, for example, that "a remarkable publicity campaign, much of it outside the bounds of mainstream science, has promoted corridors for conservation."

The study by McGarigal and McComb (1995) is particularly important in this respect, since it is one of the first to examine the relationship of landscape metrics to the wildlife community in western forests. After examining the avifauna associated with late-seral forests in the Oregon Coast Range, it concluded that

...without exception habitat area was more important than habitat configuration. Thus, with the exception of a few "edge" species, variation in abundance among landscapes was more strongly related to changes in habitat area; habitat configuration was of secondary importance.

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Contrary to the idea that habitat fragmentation is detrimental to species that specialize on a particular habitat, most species that exhibited significant relationships with habitat configuration in our study were associated with the more fragmented distribution of habitat

The authors did not support the notion that biodiversity patterns at the level of the landscape are nothing more than the sum of biodiversity patterns at the level of the forest stand; they concluded only that the rules inferred from the study of eastern deciduous forests may not be the rules governing landscape-level habitat patterns in the West.

This brief review of forest landscape ecology suggested to us that while there may be rules by which one might create a landscape-scale design for biodiversity protection on PALCO's lands, those rules are not yet known to science. Until they become known, a reasonable biodiversity plan should provide both for adequate representation of the entire spectrum of forest habitat types and for research designed to discover where patterns in the larger landscape are having an impact.

PALCO'S Forest Habitats

What makes for adequate representation of the spectrum of forest habitats requires a bit of discussion. We base this discussion on two lines of inquiry. The first is the series of broad-spectrum biodiversity surveys PALCO began in 1995 (Volume II, Part K). The second is a review of the scientific literature. Each approach has strengths and weaknesses.

The literature suggests that the coastal forests of northern California are fire-dominated ecosystems (Brown and Swetman 1994). Low-intensity fires burned through these forests at intervals of seven to 25 years, removing undergrowth and small trees (Stuart 1987). At intervals of 500 years, on average, large, stand-destroying fires killed all the trees and created forest openings (Franklin and Dyrness 1973). Starting from this condition, we categorized the phases of forest growth on PALCO's lands into five seral stages, from forest openings to old-growth forests. PALCO's ownership also has extensive areas of natural grasslands and hardwood stands that are not part of the successional sequence.

The forest-opening seral stage is characterized by grass, brush, and seedling trees. It is quite

short in this region, five to 10 years, and terminates when young trees are about one inch in diameter. The young-forest stage comprises sapling trees from one inch to 11 inches in diameter. This stage lasts from 10 to 20 years. Mid-successional forests consist of trees with average diameters from 12 to 24 inches. Such forests are usually 20 to 50 years old. Late-successional forests consist of trees larger than 24 inches in diameter and typically exhibit a multi-storied structure. These forests may be as young as 40 years but exhibit these characteristics more typically starting at 50 to 60 years. Old-growth stands are variable and difficult to characterize, other than that they have not been harvested.

The majority of PALCO's grassland habitat is determined by edaphic and elevational factors. Most of this acreage cannot be modified by management and will remain in its current form. Some grasslands are the product of historical attempts to convert forested areas into pasture and may be allowed to revert to forest. Stands dominated by hardwoods tend to occur in drier and higher sites, but in some cases these can be modified by management. The most common habitat types resulting from PALCO's management activities are young- and mid-seral conifer stands.

To check on the legitimacy of this way of categorizing habitats, we turned to the biodiversity survey. These data have significant limitations. While they were gathered with a clear statistical purpose (McKenzie, et al. 1989) and avoid many of the most common sampling biases, 1995 was the first year for this survey, and some start-up problems occurred. Even had they not, one must expect a substantial amount of statistical noise in a sampling effort such as this. And, of course, the results of the survey can only be extended to those species likely to be detected by the sampling methods employed. Nocturnal birds and bats, for example, had little chance of entering into the resultant species lists.

We gave the biodiversity data an initial statistical analysis using the multivariate technique of cluster analysis with complete linkage. The initial analysis sought to look for natural groupings of habitat types by the vertebrate and plant species they shared. The results indicated that watersheds, the gross habitat categories (grassland, hardwood, seral stages), and perhaps distance to water were associated with the major clusters of samples. This suggested to us that the habitat categories were meaningful from the perspective of the biota itself.

We looked at the total number of species found in the biodiversity surveys in each of six habitat types. The pattern displayed in figure F-1 shows that forested habitats contained the most species, although no clear dominance can be seen among forest-habitat types in the overall number of species observed in each. To probe more closely, we compared the results of a subset of the biodiversity surveys, the breeding bird surveys, to lists of neotropical migratory birds provided by the Western Working Group of Partners In Flight. The species from these lists that are associated with a limited range of seral stages on PALCO's lands are displayed in figure F-2. The most striking aspect of this figure is that, at least for neotropical migrants, the habitats provided by young forests appear to provide the most value. Not only do these habitats support the most species, they also support the most species at moderate risk. The forests of least value to moderate-risk species are mid-seral Douglas-fir and old-growth redwood.

The first year's biodiversity work was a pilot study. Its weaknesses made it desirable to compare its results to other studies. Such a comparison is made difficult by the fact that nearly all previous scientific studies in this region have concentrated on the Douglas-fir forest type dominant

on the national forests. PALCO's forests are moister, lower elevation forests, mostly dominated by redwood. Hansen, et al. (1991) concluded that "...the majority of plant and vertebrate animal species are relatively equally distributed among unmanaged young [50-150 years], mature [150-250 years], and old growth [>250 years] Douglas-fir forests." This conclusion emerged from a review of a series of studies, of birds (Raphael 1984), small mammals (Raphael 1984, Taylor et al. 1988), amphibians (Raphael 1984), and reptiles (Raphael 1984). Only reptile species richness was significantly different among forest-age classes, with more species occurring in young than in old stands. Two subsequent studies in northwestern-California Douglas-fir forests (Ralph et al. 1991, Raphael 1991) also concluded that forest-stand age had little effect on bird species diversity, although seral stage affected species composition and abundance. results have not been so clear. When the two earliest successional stages (grass/forb; shrub/sapling) were included in another analysis, the number of bird species increased by the third year after logging, to produce a shrub/sapling stage richer in species than either mature forest or the grass/forb stage (Hagar 1960). This was the same result predicted by the California WHR model (Verner & Boss 1980) and tested empirically by Raphael & Marcot (1986). In this field study, bird species diversity was observed to increase with seral progression.

Except for the study by Raphael (1984) all other studies of mammal species diversity in this region have revealed an increase in mean number of species with increasing successional age, with greatest species richness in mature and old-growth forests (Ralph et al. 1991, Raphael 1988, Raphael 1991, Raphael & Marcot 1986).

The herpetofauna in California Douglas-fir/hardwood forests typically exhibits dominance by a few species of salamanders (Welsh & Lind 1991). Welsh & Lind (1988) initially claimed that total herpetofaunal species diversity was greater in older forest age classes. Later studies led them to conclude that while species composition and abundance were influenced by stand age, seral stage did not have an effect on species diversity (Welsh & Lind 1991). The pattern seemed to be that after logging, certain amphibians were replaced by reptiles that prefer the open, drier, and warmer clearcuts. Old-growth stands did support a greater biomass of salamanders. Research by Raphael & Marcot (1986) suggested that both reptile and amphibian diversity increased with seral stage, but later studies by Raphael (1988, 1991) concurred, in part, with the Welsh & Lind results, finding that stand age does not affect amphibian species richness. Reptile diversity, however, was greatest in clearcuts, less in old-growth, and equally low in young and mature forest. As in other studies, the total number of amphibians was greatest in older forests, while reptiles were most abundant in clearcuts.

To summarize, the first-year biodiversity survey suggests that the grassland-hardwood-seral stage habitat classification is a meaningful one, but it did not discover any clear associations of species richness with a particular habitat type. The literature in northern California is equally ambiguous. And neither source of information is entirely reliable for PALCO's lands. The conservative conclusion at this time is that each seral stage in the successional growth of PALCO forests provides a series of habitats supporting an assemblage of plant and animal species. None is irrelevant, and none is dominant.

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Given that the biodiversity data support the division of PALCO's habitats into the coarse categories of grasslands, hardwoods, and five seral stages, we structured our search for natural

groups of species by those broad habitat types. Two independent analyses were done. The first was a reanalysis of the 1995 survey data, looking this time not at how sample plots grouped together according to the species they share but at how species grouped together by the sample plots they either shared or mutually avoided. The second analysis took the total species list from the survey and examined the scientific literature for evidence of habitat versatility.

Weaknesses in the biodiversity sampling effort have already been mentioned. A literature review, by comparison, synthesizes a number of research efforts over a large geographic area. Since some of these efforts would focus on discovering the precise habitat requirements of a species, they would be expected to provide a more accurate portrait of habitat requirements than local surveys could hope to discover. The down side of a literature review is that habitat requirements inferred from distant study sites are often difficult to translate to local circumstances. PALCO may have defined a mid-seral forest differently from a Forest Service biologist, for example. And even if it did not, such a forest in a moist low-elevation site may provide a different suite of sub-habitats from a higher elevation national forest.

It came as little surprise to us that an analysis of the 1995 data that lumps all species together fails to display meaningful patterns. One should not expect that species of birds associate with one another in the same ways as species of plants or salamanders. Because of limitations on the quality of these data, we focused the analysis on bird species. Birds are the most diverse group of vertebrates on this ownership and, as a rule, the most habitat specialized of the terrestrial vertebrates. The analysis used only the bird species in table 1 that occurred on two or more plots. We limited the analysis to avoid dominance by the rare species most subject to sampling error and understand that this choice assumes that habitat guilds can be adequately described by the more common species.

The statistical analysis again employed the multivariate technique of cluster analysis with complete linkage. Figures F3-F5 display the dendrograms or tree diagrams for the three watersheds surveyed. The species, displayed along the horizontal axis, are listed by the first letters of their common names and appear in the same sequences with their full names in tables 2-4. The tree diagrams reveal the tightness of the "linkages" among species, represented as the per cent disagreement among sample plots. The more that species co-occur or fail to co-occur in the same plots, the smaller will be their linkage distances. For an extreme example, two species that jointly occur in 16 plots on the Beer Bottle watershed and jointly fail to occur on the remaining 16 would have 0% disagreement and be linked right at the horizontal axis. If, on the other hand, the first species occurred in 16 plots and the second occurred only in the remaining 16, then the two would have 100% disagreement and be linked far above the x-axis.

The linkage patterns should be interpreted as follows, using the Camp watershed (figure F-3, table 3) as an example. At a coarse scale, e.g. a linkage distance of 0.6, the bird community divides into four groups. The first three represent different groups of widely distributed species on the ownership. All of these groups are forest generalists with respect to seral stage. They may be focused on somewhat different habitat elements, but these data are too coarse to reveal this. The fourth group consists of less-common species. Figure F-6 is an enlarged display of the cluster analysis of this group. At a linkage distance of 0.4, these birds divide into two sub-groups. The first contains a single bird, the red-breasted nuthatch, that can be classified as a mid-seral/late-seral/old-growth species, and a cluster of forest generalists that are not widely distributed on the ownership. The second group consists of two sub-groups that are specialists

on young-seral, mid-seral, and shrubby habitats. For birds the Camp watershed seems to be dominated by four large groups of generalists and three small and uncommon groups of semi-specialists.

Unfortunately this result does not speak clearly to the goal of identifying management guidelines for the amounts of the six habitat types. Even more frustrating is the fact that the other two watersheds (figures F-4 and F-5) show somewhat different patterns of linkage. One other study of this sort in northern California came up with equally ambiguous results (Ralph, et al. 1991). We suggest two reasons why habitat specialists do not fall out of the analysis easily. The first is that the scale of the sample plots is somewhat small. This may be remedied in subsequent years. The second is that the broad habitat categories of interest on this ownership are internally heterogeneous. Some late-seral stands are fairly uniform in age while others are uneven. Some young-seral stands are dominated by conifers while others are dominated by flowering shrubs. There is no way to remedy this.

The literature review of species was divided into two stages. The first consisted of a rating of the versatility of the species that might occupy this ownership with respect to the range of habitats of interest. The second step aggregated the species with low and moderate versatilities into habitat-related categories.

To score the versatility of animals, we began with an examination of the California Wildlife Habitat Relationships data base (Mayer and Laudenslayer 1988). Since the WHR system was explicitly designed to overstate the range of habitats a species will occupy, we chose to be cautious about its use for this purpose. If the WHR system reported that a species had low habitat versatility, we accepted that assessment. If it reported moderate or high versatility, then we verified that assessment with other information sources.

The WHR versatility rating was done as follows. The data base was first searched for all habitat types used for reproduction, feeding, or cover for all species on the list. This produced an excessively large array of habitats for each species. The list was narrowed by considering only habitats with moderate or high values for reproduction, feeding, or cover. Low versatility was defined as appearance in only one or two WHR categories. If the categories spanned seral stages, then they had to be adjacent categories. A moderate-versatility species appeared in three to four WHR categories. A high-versatility species used five to six.

Once the WHR analysis was complete, the moderate- and high-versatility species were reexamined by use of general reference works on vertebrate species of North America. When alternative sources were available, the references relied upon most heavily were those closest in geographic emphasis to the north coast of California. For birds these were Beedy and Granholm (1985), Clark and Wheeler (1987), Morrison, et al. (1985), National Geographic Society (1983), Peterson (1961), Shuford (1993), and Small (1994). For mammals these were Jameson and Peeters (1988) and Morrison et al. (1985). For amphibians and reptiles these were Behler and King (1979) and Stebbins (1985). In doing the literature search the versatility categories were redefined somewhat. High versatility meant the use of many different kinds of habitats, including different forest structures. Moderate versatility meant either the use of only one kind of plant community (redwood for example) or the use of many kinds of habitats, but the requirement of some factor unique to one or two seral stages. Low versatility meant a restriction to grasslands, hardwoods, or a single seral stage. The resultant versatility ratings are listed in table 5.

Once the versatility ratings were given, high-versatility species were classified as generalists and the medium- and low-versatility species were organized into groups related to PALCO's habitat categories (table 6). Where species occupied more than one category, the most common category was chosen. This effort resulted in two categories with few species (grassland, old-growth), two intermediate-sized categories (hardwood, shrub/forest opening/young seral), and three comparatively large categories (generalists, mid seral/late seral/old growth, riparian forest and shrub).

The two approaches, the biodiversity survey and the literature review, do not seem to coincide very well. If the two approaches measured the same thing, then one might expect the largest average per cent occurrence in the sample plots to be found in the species with the highest versatility and the smallest average per cent occurrence in the species with the lowest versatility. Figure F-7 displays the average per cent occurrence in sample plots for five versatility categories. Not only is there no clear positive relationship between versatility and per cent occurrence, there may, arguably, be a negative relationship. The explanation of this is probably that PALCO's lands do not provide nearly the full range of habitat types that ornithologists have in mind when they rate a species' versatility. This difference of scale can be coupled with the fact that PALCO's lands clearly provide a great deal of habitat for some species, and many of these are rated low to moderate in habitat versatility. For example, the most consistently found bird species in the surveys (Pacific-slope flycatcher) is rated as only a moderately versatile species in the literature review.

We suggest that neither approach to characterizing habitat guilds be taken in isolation at this time. The data from the biodiversity survey are still incomplete and excessively variable. Without reference to the broader literature they can be misleading. On the other hand, they do provide the most direct and unbiased information about the biotic communities on PALCO's lands. The literature search incorporates a much broader range of scientific consensus, and it is essential to the interpretation of some of the results of the biodiversity surveys. Until the biodiversity sampling program stabilizes, the habitat guilds in table 6 are reasonable working groups for those species sampled.

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Table 1: Vertebrate species that do or may occur on PALCO's lands. Species preceded with an "x" were observed during the biodiversity survey. Species followed by an asterisk are those whose reported geographic ranges do not overlap PALCO's lands but which may possibly occur there.

BIRDS

Acorn woodpecker Melanerpes formicivorus Selasphorus sasin x Allen's hummingbird Corvus brachyrhynchos American crow Ciniclus mexicanus American dipper x American goldfinch Carduelis tristis Falco sparverius x American kestrel American redstart* Setophaga ruticilla x American robin Turdus migratorius x Anna's hummingbird Calvpte anna

Bald eagle Haliaeetus leucocephalus

x Band-tailed pigeon

Bank swallow*

Barn owl

x Barn swallow

Barred owl

Belted kingfisher

Columba fasciata

Riparia riparia

Tyto alba

Hirundo rustica

Strix varia

Ceryle alcyon

x Bewick's wren

Black phoebe

Black-capped chickadee

Black-crowned night heron

Seryic dicyon

Thryomanes bewickii

Sayornis nigricans

Parus atricapillus

Nycticorax nycticorax

x Black-headed grosbeak
Black-throated gray warbler

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x Black-throated gray warbler
 x Blue grouse
 x Brewer's blackbird
 x Brown towhee
 Dendragopus obscurus
 Euphagus cyanocephalus
 Pipilo fuscus

x Brown creeper
Brown-headed cowbird
x Bushtit
x California quail

Certhia americana
Molothrus ater
Psaltriparus minimus
Callipepla californica

x California quail
Canyon wren*
Cassin's finch*
Cattle egret*

Callipepla californica
Catherpes mexicanus
Carpodacus cassinii
Bubulcus ibis

x Cedar waxwing
x Chestnut-backed chickadee

Parus rufescens

Ohionia a sangarana

x Chipping sparrow
Cliff swallow
Common merganser
Common nighthawk
Spizella passerina
Hirundo pyrrhonota
Mergus merganser
Chodeiles minor

Common poorwill* Phalaenoptilus nuttallii x Common raven Corvus corax x Common yellowthroat Geothlypis trichas

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x Cooper's hawk x Dark-eyed junco x Downy woodpecker Dusky flycatcher*

x European starling Evening grosbeak Flammulated owl

x Fox sparrow x Golden eagle

x Golden-crowned kinglet Grasshopper sparrow

x Gray jay

Great blue heron
Great egret*
Great horned owl
Green heron
x Hairy woodpecker

Hammond's flycatcher*
Harlequin duck
x Hermit thrush
x Hermit warbler
Hooded oriole
House finch
House sparrow

x Hutton's vireo x Lark sparrow x Lazuli bunting Lesser goldfinch

x House wren

x MacGillivray's warbler Marbled murrelet

Marsh wren
x Mountain quail
x Mourning dove
x Nashville warbler
x Northern flicker
Northern goshawk
Northern harrier

Northern mockingbird* Northern pygmy owl

Northern rough-winged swallow

Northern saw-whet owl x Olive-sided flycatcher x Orange-crowned warbler

Osprey

x Pacific-slope (western) flycatcher

x Pileated woodpecker

x Pine siskin

Accipiter cooperii Junco hyemalis Picoides pubescens Empidonax oberholseri

Sturnus vulgaris

Coccothraustes vespertinus

Otus flammeolus Passerella iliaca Aquila chrysaetos Regulus satrapa

Ammodramus savannarum Perisoreus canadensis

Ardea herodius Casmerodius albus Bubo virginianus Butorides virescens Picoides villosus

Empidonax hammondii Histrionicus histrionicus Catharus guttatus Dendroica occidentalis Icterus cucullatus Carpodacus mexicanus Passer domesticus Troglodytes aedon Vireo huttoni

Chondestes grammacus Passerina amoena Spinus psaltria Oporornis tolmiei

Brachyramphus marmoratus

Cistothorus palustri
Oreortyx pictus
Zenaidura macroura
Vermivora ruficapilla
Colaptes auratus
Accipiter gentilis
Circus cyaneus
Mimus polyglottos
Glaucidium gnoma
Stelgidopteryx serripenis
Aegolius acadicus

Contopus borealis Vermivora celata Pandion haliaetus Empidonax difficilis Dryocopus pileatus Carduelis pinus Plain titmouse*
x Purple finch
Purple martin
Pygmy nuthatch*
Red crossbill

x Red-breasted nuthatch x Red-breasted sapsucker Red-shouldered hawk

x Red-tailed hawk
Red-winged blackbird
Rock dove

Rock dove Rock wren

x Ruby-crowned kinglet

x Ruffed grouse

x Rufous hummingbird

x Rufous-sided towhee Sharp-shinned hawk Snowy egret*

x Solitary vireo x Song sparrow Spotted owl x Steller's jay

x Swainson's thrush Townsend's solitaire Turkey vulture

x Tree swallow x Varied thrush x Vaux's swift

Violet-green swallow

x Warbling vireo x Western bluebird x Western meadowlark Western screech owl x Western tanager

x Western wood pewee White-breasted nuthatch*

x White-crowned sparrow White-tailed kite

Wild turkey
x Wilson's warbler
x Winter wren
Wood duck
x Wrentit

x Yellow warbler Yellow-breasted chat

x Yellow-rumped warbler

Parus inornatus

Carpodacus purpureus

Progne subis
Sitta pygmaea
Loxia curvirostra
Sitta canadensis
Sphyrapicus ruber
Buteo lineatus
Buteo jamaicensis
Agelaius phoeniceus

Columba livia

Salpinctes obsoletus Regulus calendula Bonasa umbellus Selasphorus rufus Pipilo erythrophthalmus

Accipiter striatus
Egretta thula
Vireo solitarius
Melospiza melodia
Strix occidentalis
Cyanocitta stelleri
Catharus ustulatus
Myadestes townsendi

Cathartes aura
Tachycineta bicolor
Ixoreus naevius
Chaetura vauxi

Tachycineta thalassina

Vireo gilvus
Sialia mexicana
Sturnella neglecta
Otus kennicottii
Piranga ludoviciana
Contopus sordidulus
Sitta carolinensis
Zonotrichia leucophrys
Elanus leucurus
Meleagris gallapavo
Wilsonia pusilla

Troglodytes troglodytes

Aix sponsa

Chamaea fasciata Dendroica petechia Icteria virens

Dendroica petechia

MAMMALS

x Allen's (shadow) chipmunk

x (American) Badger Beaver* Big brown bat

x Black bear Black rat

x Black-tailed jackrabbit

x Bobcat

x Botta's pocket gopher x Broad-footed mole Brown (Norway) rat Brush mouse*

x Brush rabbit

Bushy-Tailed Woodrat*
x California ground squirrel
California kangaroo rat*
California myotis

x California red tree vole

x Chickaree (Douglas' squirrel)

x Coast mole x Coyote x Deer mouse

x Dusky-footed woodrat

Elk x Fisher Fox squirrel* Fringed myotis

x Golden-mantled squirrel

x Gray fox
Guano bat
Hoary bat
x House mouse
Little brown myotis
Long-eared myotis
Long-legged myotis
x Long-tailed vole

Long-tailed weasel Marsh shrew

Marten* Mink

x Mountain beaver Mountain lion

x Mule deer Muskrat*

x Northern flying squirrel

x Oppossum x Oregon vole Tamias senex
Taxidea taxus
Castor canadensis
Eptesicus fuscus
Ursus americanus
Rattus rattus
Lepus californicus

Lynx rufus

Thomomys bottae Scapanus latimanus Rattus norvegicus Peromyscus boylii Sylvilagus bachmani Neotoma cinerea Citellus beecheyi

Dipodomys californicus Myotis californicus Arborimus pomo Tamiasciurus douglasi Scapanus orarius

Canis latrans

Peromyscus maniculatus

Neotoma fuscipes Cervus elaphus Martes pennanti Sciurus niger Myotis thysanodes Citellus lateralus

Urocyon cinereoargenteus
Tadarida brasiliensis
Lasiurus cinereus
Mus musculus
Myotis lucifugus
Myotis evotis
Myotis volans
Mirotus longicaudus

Mustela frenata Sorex bendirii Martes americana Mustela vison Aplodontia rufa Felis concolor

Odocoileus hemionus Ondatra zibethicus Glaucomys sabrinus Didelphis marsupialis Microtus oregoni x Pacific jumping mouse

x Pacific shrew

x Pacific water (water) shrew

Pallid bat*
x Pinyon mouse
Porcupine*
x Raccoon

x Red-backed vole

Red bat Red fox*

Redwood chipmunk

x Ringtail River otter

x Short-tailed weasel

x Shrew mole
Silver-haired bat
Sonoma chipmunk*
x Spotted skunk

x Striped skunk

Townsend's long-eared bat

Townsend's mole*
Townsend's vole
x Trowbridge's shrew
x Vagrant shrew
x Western gray squirrel
x Western harvest mouse

x Western harvest mouse Western pipistrel White-footed vole

x Wild pig Wolverine*

Yuma myotis

AMPHIBIANS

x Arboreal salamander x Black salamander

Bullfrog

x California slender salamander

x Clouded salamander
Del Norte salamander*
Foothill yellow-legged frog
x Northwestern salamander

x Northwestern salamanderx Oregon/Painted ensatinax Pacific giant salamander

x Pacific tree frog x Red-legged frog Red-bellied newt Rough-skinned newt

Southern torrent salamander

Zapus trimotatus Sorex pacificus Sorex bendire Antrozous pallidus Peromyscus truei Erethizon dorsatum

Procyon lotor

Clethrionomys occidentalis

Lasiurus borealis
Vulpes vulpes
Tamias ochrogenys
Bassariscus astutus
Lutra canadensis
Mustela erminea
Neurotrichus gibbis

Lasionycteris noctivagans

Tamias sonomae Spilogale putorius Mephitis mephitis Plecotus townsendii Scapanus townsendii Microtus townsendii Sorex trowbridgei Sorex vagrans Sciurus griseus

Reithrodontomys megalotis

Pipistrellus hesperus Arborimus albipes

Sus scrofa Gulo gulo

Myotis yumanensis

Aneides lugubris Aneides flavipunctatus Rana catesbeiana

Batrachoseps attenuatus

Aneides ferreus Plethodon elongatus

Rana boylii

Ambystoma gracile Ensatina eschscholtzii Diacamptodon ensatus

Hyla regilla Rana aurora Taricha rivularis Taricha granulosa Rhyacotriton variegatus x Tailed frog Western toad Ascaphus truei Bufo boreas

REPTILES

x Alligator lizard California mountain kingsnake*

x California red-sided garter snake (common garter snake)

Common kingsnake x Gopher snake

Northwestern garter snake*

Racer

Ringneck snake x Rubber boa

Sagebrush lizard x Sharp-tailed snake

Southern alligator lizard Western aquatic garter snake

x Western fence lizard Western pond turtle Western rattlesnake

x Western skink

x Western terrestrial garter snake Western whiptail*

Gerrhonotus coeruleus Lampropeltis zonata

Thamnophis sirtalis
Lampropeltis getulus
Pituophis melanoleucus
Thamnophis ordinoides
Coluber constrictor
Diadophis punctatus
Charina bottae
Sceloporus graciosus
Contia tenuis
Gerrhonotus multicarinatus
Thamnophis couchii

Thamnophis couchii Sceloporus occidentalis Clemmys marmorata Crotalus viridis

Eumeces skiltonianus Thamnophis elegans Cnemidophorus tigris

Table 2: Bird species occurrences by seral stage in Beer Bottle Watershed Species appearing in two or more plots are listed in their order in the tree diagram (Fig. F-3).

Species	Old	Late-seral	Mid-seral	Young-	Opening	Grasslan	Total
	growth (4)	(6)	(10)	seral (8)	(1)	d (3)	plots (32)
Stellar's jay	4	5	7	5			21
Hermit warbler	3	5	8	2			18
Dark-eyed junco	2	6	4	5	1	1	19
Wilson's warbler	3	2	7	6	1		19
Pacific-slope	3	2	5	5	1		16
flycatcher							
Warbling vireo	3	1	1	2	1		8
Red-breasted nuthatch	1	1	3	1			6
Golden-crowned kinglet	2	4	4				10
Chestnut-backed		4	4	3			11
chickadee							
Hutton's vireo	1		5	2			8
Hermit thrush	1	1	3	1			6
Winter wren		3	1	3			7
Song sparrow		2		3	1		6
Wrentit	1			5			6
Rufous hummingbird			1	3			4
Bewick's wren				2	1		3
Varied thrush	1	1	1	1			4
Northern flicker	1	1	1	1			4
Mourning dove		1		1			2
White-crowned sparrow				2			2
MacGillivray's warbler				2			2
California quail	1	1					2
Western bluebird		1	1			1	3
Pine siskin			1	1			2
American robin			1	1		1	3
Western meadowlark			1				2
Allen's hummingbird			1	1			2
Total species present	14	18	20	23	6	3	27

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Table 3: Species occurrences by seral stage in Camp Watershed Species appearing in two or more plots are listed in their order in the tree diagram (Fig. F-4)

Species	Old growth	Late-seral	Mid-seral	Young-seral	Total plots
	(5)	(9)	(22)	(6)	(42)
Winter wren	5	8	18		31
Golden-crowned kinglet	3	9	15		27
Wilson's warbler	5	9	19	6	39
Pacific-slope flycatcher	5	9	22	6	42
Chestnut-backed	3	7	14	4	28
chickadee		_		_	
Steller's jay	1	3		3	22
Dark-eyed junco	2	4	_	6	17
Brown creeper	5	5	9		19
Varied thrush	2	2		1	14
Hermit warbler	3	4		1	19
Hermit thrush	1	5	10	2	18
Red-breasted nuthatch	1		9		10
Pine siskin	1	1	3		5
Song sparrow			1	1	2
Red-tailed hawk		1	1	1	3
Orange-crowned warbler				2	2
Common raven	2				2
Bushtit		1	1	2	4
California quail		1	1	2	4
Swainson's thrush		4	4	5	13
Rufous hummingbird	1	3	4	5	13
Wrentit			6	6	12
Band-tailed pigeon		1	4	3	8
Olive-sided flycatcher		1	2	5	8
Hairy woodpecker		1	3	2	6
Hutton's vireo		3	6	2	11
Allen's hummingbird			4	3	7
Total Species	15	21	25	21	27

Table 4: Bird Species occurrences by seral stage in Elkhead Watershed. Species appearing in two or more plots are listed in their order in the tree diagram (Fig. F-5).

Species	_			Young-seral	-
	(15)	(1)	(10)	(9)	(35)
Swainson's thrush	3	1	8	6	18
Song sparrow			8	8	16
Rufous hummingbird	7	1	9	7	24
Wilson's warbler	10	1	9	7	27
Pacific-slope flycatcher	15	1	10	9	35
Dark-eyed junco	9		7	7	23
Varied thrush	7				7
Hermit warbler	7		6	1	14
Steller's jay	8	1	4	3	16
Hairy woodpecker	5		4	4	13
Winter wren	7	1	5	2	15
Golden-crowned kinglet	8	1	3	1	13
Chestnut-backed chickadee	11	1	8	1	21
Brown creeper	11		9		20
Hermit thrush	4	1	4	3	12
Wrentit	2		2	8	12
Olive-sided flycatcher	2		2	3	7
Northern flicker	1	1		5	7
Red-breasted nuthatch	2		1		3
Fox sparrow			2	1	3
American robin			4		4
Western bluebird	1		1	1	3
Purple finch	1		1	2	4
House wren			2	3	5
White-crowned sparrow			1	2	3
American goldfinch				3	3
Common raven	3				3
Rufous-sided towhee			1	1	2
Ruby-crowned kinglet				2	2
Orange-crowned warbler				2	2
Chipping sparrow				2	2
California quail			1	4	5
Bewick's wren	1			2	4
Vaux's swift			3	1	4
Hutton's vireo	1			4	5
Allen's hummingbird				3	3

Total species 23 10 27 31 36

Table 5: Habitat versatility ratings (from the literature) for the vertebrate species present in PALCO's biodiversity surveys. "H" is high habitat versatility, a generalist species. "M" is moderate habitat versatility. "L" is low habitat versatility, a specialist species.

Birds

М-Н Allen's hummingbird American goldfinch М-Н American kestrel М-Н American robin M Anna's hummingbird М-Н Band-tailed pigeon M Barn swallow Μ Bewick's wren Μ М-Н Black-headed grosbeak Black-throated gray warbler М-Н Blue arouse М Brewer's blackbird Η Brown creeper L-M Brown towhee М-Н California quail M Cedar waxwing М-Н Chestnut-backed chickadee М Chipping sparrow М-Н Common bushtit (bushtit) M Common raven Н Common yellowthroat Μ Cooper's hawk М-Н Dark-eved junco M-H Downy woodpecker M European starling М-Н Fox sparrow Μ М-Н Golden eagle Golden-crowned kinglet L-M Μ Gray jay Hairy woodpecker M Hermit thrush М Hermit warbler L-M М-Н House wren Hutton's vireo L-M Lark sparrow М Lazuli bunting M MacGillivray's warbler M Mountain quail Μ Mourning dove Н Nashville warbler M Northern flicker (common flicker) Н Olive-sided flycatcher M Orange-crowned warbler М

Pacific-slope flycatcher Μ Pileated woodpecker M Pine siskin Μ Purple finch Μ Red-breasted nuthatch Μ Red-breasted sapsucker Μ Red-tailed hawk М-Н Ruby-crowned kinglet М-Н Ruffed grouse Μ Rufous hummingbird M Rufous-sided towhee М-Н Solitary vireo Μ М-Н Song sparrow Steller's jay М-Н Swainson's thrush М-Н Tree swallow Μ Varied thrush Μ Vaux's swift Μ Warbling vireo M Western bluebird Μ Western meadowlark Μ Μ Western tanager Western wood pewee М-Н White-crowned sparrow М-Н Wilson's warbler M Winter wren M Wrentit L Yellow warbler M Yellow-rumped warbler Н

MAMMALS

Allen's (shadow) chipmunk Μ Badger (American badger) L-M Black bear Н Black-tailed jackrabbit Н Н Bobcat Botta's pocket gopher Н Broad-footed mole Η Brush rabbit Н California ground squirrel Н California red tree vole L Chickaree (Douglas' squirrel) Μ Coast mole M Н Covote Deer mouse Н **Dusky-footed woodrat** Μ Fisher M Golden-mantled squirrel Н

Gray fox	Н
House mouse	Н
Long-tailed vole	Н
Mountain beaver	M
Mule deer	Н
Northern flying squirrel	L-M
Oppossum	Н
Oregon vole	Н
Pacific jumping mouse	M
Pacific shrew	M
Pacific water shrew (water shrew)	M
Pinyon mouse	Н
Raccoon	Н
Red-backed vole	M
Ringtail	Н
Short-tailed weasel	Н
Shrew mole	M
Spotted skunk	Н
Striped skunk	Н
Trowbridge's shrew	M
Vagrant shrew	M
Western gray squirrel	M
Western harvest mouse	M
Wild pig	М

AMPHIBIANS

Arboreal salamander Μ Black salamander Н California slender salamander Н Clouded salamander М-Н Northwestern salamander Н Oregon/Painted ensatina Н Pacific giant salamander Μ Pacific tree frog Н Red-legged frog Н Tailed frog Н

REPTILES

Н Alligator lizard California red-sided garter snake (common garter snake) Н Gopher snake Н Rubber boa Н Sharp-tailed snake Н Western terrestrial garter snake Η Western fence lizard Н Western skink Н

Table 6: Habitat guilds for the vertebrate species on PALCO's lands (inferred from the literature). Species preceded with an "x" were observed in the biodiversity sampling effort. Species labeled with an asterisk are those whose reported ranges do not overlap PALCO's lands, but which may possibly occur there. Species explicitly dependent on snags or cave-like structures (caves, hollow trees or snags, human structures) are indicated.

GRASSLAND

- x American kestrel
- x Barn swallow
 Grasshopper sparrow
 Northern harrier
- x Western meadow lark
- x Badger
- x Western harvest mouse Northwestern garter snake*

SHRUB/FOREST OPENING/YOUNG-SERAL

- x American goldfinch
- x American robin
- x Bewick's wren
- x Black-throated gray warbler
- x Brown towhee
- x Bushtit
- x California quail Common poorwill* Dusky flycatcher*
- x Fox sparrow
- x House wren
- x Lark sparrow
- x Lazuli bunting
- x MacGillivray's warbler
- x Mountain quail
- x Nashville warbler
- x Olive-sided flycatcher
- x Orange-crowned warbler Purple martin (snags)
- x Ruby-crowned kinglet
- x Rufous hummingbird
- x Rufous-sided towhee
- x Western bluebird
- x White-crowned sparrow
- x Wrentit
 - Brush mouse*
 - California kangaroo rat*
- x Coast mole
- Porcupine*
- Sonoma chipmunk*

MID-SERAL/LATE-SERAL/OLD GROWTH

Barred owl

Black-crowned night heron

- x Blue grouse
- x Brown creeper

Cassin's finch*

Cattle egret*

x Chestnut-backed chickadee

Common nighthawk

Evening grosbeak

Flammulated owl

- x Golden-crowned kinglet
- x Gray jay

Great blue heron

Great egret*

x Hairy woodpecker (snags)

Hammond's flycatcher*

- x Hermit thrush
- x Hermit warbler

Northern goshawk

Northern pygmy owl

Northern saw-whet owl

- x Pileated woodpecker (snags)
- x Pine siskin

Pygmy nuthatch*

Red crossbill

- x Red-breasted nuthatch
- x Red-breasted sapsucker
- x Ruffed grouse

Sharp-shinned hawk

Snowy egret*

Spotted owl

x Steller's jay

Townsend's solitaire

Varied thrush

- x Vaux's swift
- x Western tanager
- x Winter wren
- x Allen's chipmunk

Bushy-tailed woodrat*

- x California red-backed vole
- x Chickaree
- x Fisher

Hoary bat

Long-eared myotis

Marten*

- x Northern flying squirrel
- x Red tree vole

Redwood chipmunk

- x Vagrant shrew
- x Western gray squirrel Wolverine*
- x Clouded salamander

OLD GROWTH

Marbled murrelet

HARDWOOD

Acorn woodpecker

- x Band-tailed pigeon
 - Plain titmouse*
- x Purple finch
- x Solitary vireo
- x Warbling vireo

White-breasted nuthatch*

California myotis (caves)

Fox squirrel*

Red bat

- x Wild pig
- x Arboreal salamander

Western whiptail*

RIPARIAN FOREST AND SHRUB

American dipper

Bald eagle

Bank swallow

Belted kingfisher

Black-capped chickadee

Black phoebe

Canyon wren*

Common merganser

- x Common yellowthroat
- x Downy woodpecker (snags)

Green heron

Harlequin duck

Marsh wren

Osprey

x Pacific slope flycatcher

Red-shouldered hawk

- x Tree swallow (snags)
- x Wilson's warbler

Wood duck

x Yellow warbler

Yellow-breasted chat

Beaver*

Marsh shrew

Mink

x Mountain beaver

Muskrat*

- x Pacific jumping mouse
- x Pacific shrew
- x Pacific watershrew

River otter

x Shrew mole

Townsend's vole

Western pipistrel (caves)

White-footed vole

Bullfrog

Del Norte salamander*

Foothill yellow-legged frog

x Pacific giant salamander

Red-bellied newt

Rough-skinned newt

Southern torrent salamander

California mountain kingsnake*

Western aquatic garter snake

Western pond turtle

GENERALISTS

- x Allen's hummingbird
- x Anna's hummingbird

American crow

American redstart*

Barn owl

- x Black-headed grosbeak
- x Brewer's blackbird

Brown-headed cowbird

- Diowii-lieaueu
- x Cedar waxwing
- x Chipping sparrow

x Cooper's hawk Cliff swallow

- x Common raven
- x Dark-eyed junco
- x European starling
- x Golden eagle

Great horned owl

Hooded oriole

House finch

House sparrow

Lesser goldfinch

- x Mourning dove
- x Northern flicker

Northern mockingbird*

Northern rough-winged swallow

- x Red-tailed hawk
 - Red-winged blackbird
 - Rock dove
 - Rock wren
- x Song sparrow
- x Swainson's thrush
 - Turkey vulture
 - Violet-green swallow
 - Western screech owl
- x Western wood peewee
 - White-tailed kite
 - Wild turkey
- x Yellow-rumped warbler
 - Big brown bat (caves)
- x Black bear
 - Black rat
- x Black-tailed jackrabbit
- x Bobcat
- x Botta's pocket gopher
- x Broad-footed mole
 - Brown rat
- x Brush rabbit
- x California ground squirrel
- x Coyote
- x Deer mouse
- x Dusky-footed woodrat
 - Flk
- Fringed myotis (caves)
- x Golden-mantled squirrel
- x Gray fox
 - Guano bat (caves)
- x House mouse
 - Little brown myotis (caves)
 - Long-legged myotis (caves)
- x Long-tailed vole
 - Long-tailed weasel
 - Mountain lion
- x Mule deer
- x Oppossum
- x Oregon vole
 - Pallid bat* (caves)
- x Pinyon mouse
- x Raccoon
 - Red fox*
- x Ringtail
- x Short-tailed weasel
 - Silver-haired bat (caves)
- x Spotted skunk

- x Striped skunk
- x Townsend's mole

Townsend's long-eared bat (caves)

- x Trowbridge's shrew
 - Yuma myotis (caves)
- x Black salamander
- x California slender salamander
- x Northwestern salamander
- x Oregon/Painted ensatina
- x Pacific tree frog
- x Red-legged frog
- x Tailed frog
- Western toad
- x Alligator lizard
- x California red-sided garter snake

Common kingsnake

x Gopher snake

Racer

Ringneck snake

x Rubber boa

Sagebrush lizard

x Sharp-tailed snake

Southern alligator lizard

- x Western fence lizard
- x Western skink
- x Western terrestrial garter snake

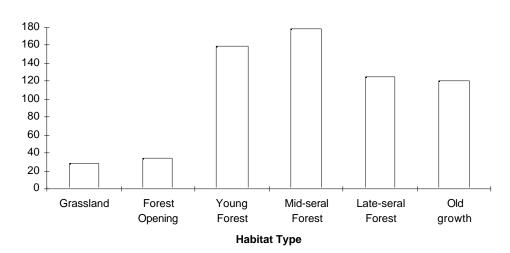
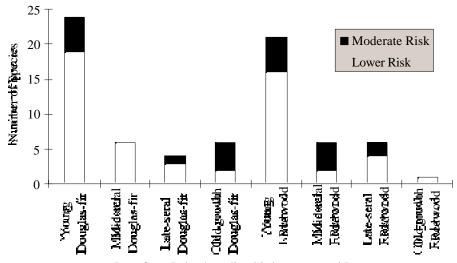


Figure F-1: Number of Species Found

Figure F-2: Neotropical Migratory Birds Associated with Forest Seral Stages



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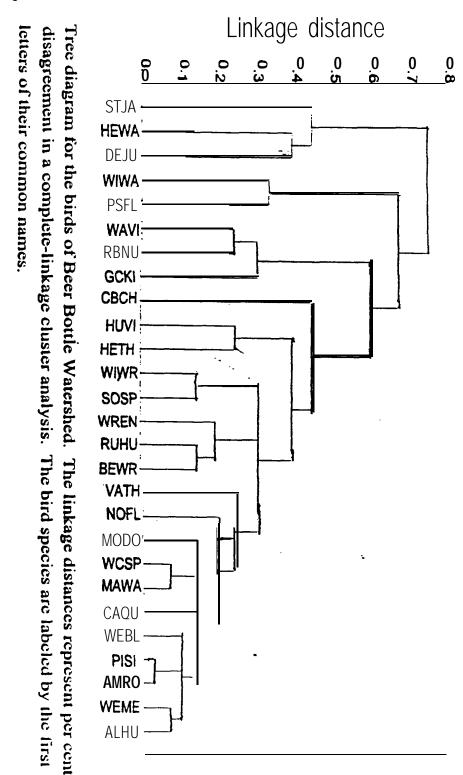


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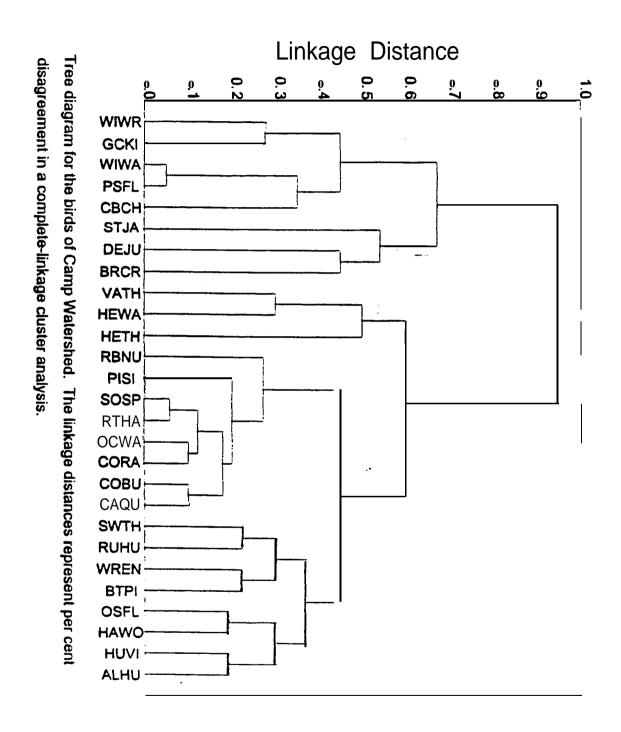
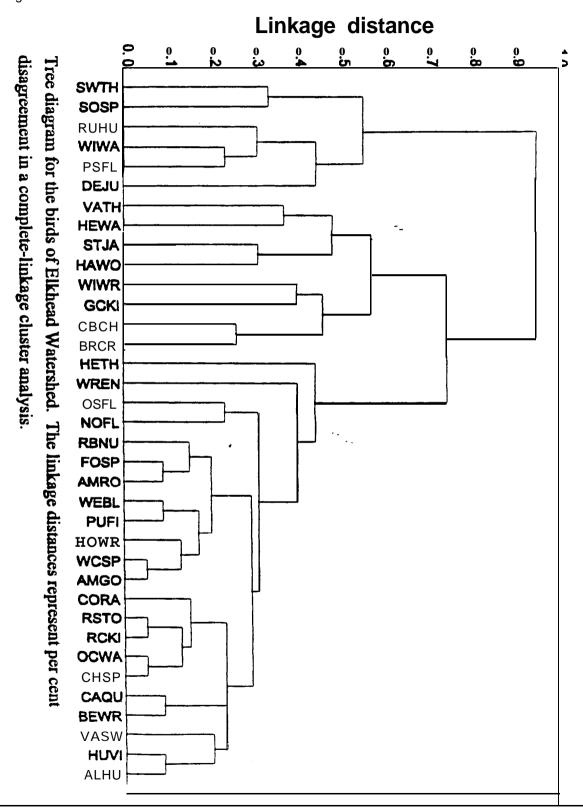
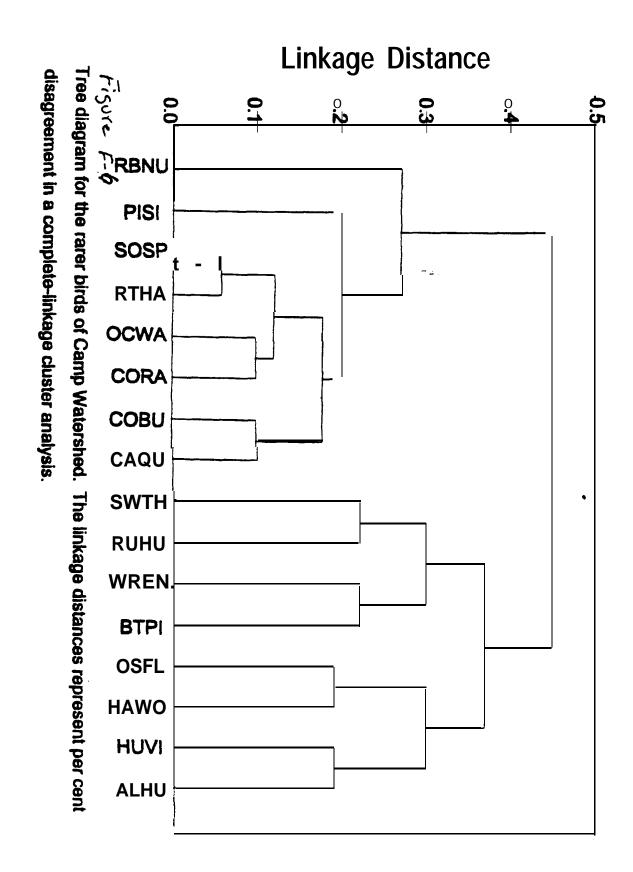


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Figure F-7: Average Per Cent Occurrence

Habitat-based Plant Guilds

PLANT SPECIES/HABITAT-BASED GUILDS					
Primary Focus Species	Secondary Focus Species				
COASTA	AL GUILD				
Abronia umbellata ssp. breviflora	Calamagrostis bolanderi				
pink sand-verbena	Bolander's reed grass				
Boschniakia hookeri	Eleocharis parvula				
small groundcone	small spikerush				
Calamagrostis crassiglumis	Hesperevax sparsiflora var. brevifolia				
Thurber's reed grass	short-leaved evax				
Calamagrostis foliosa	Juncus supiniformis				
leafy reed grass	hair-leaved rush				
Castilleja ambigua ssp. humboldtiensis	Perideridia gairdneri ssp. gairdneri				
Humboldt Bay owl's-clover	Gairdner's yampah				
Castilleja mendocinensis	Piperia michaelii				
Mendocino Coast Indian paintbrush	Michael's rein orchid				
Collinsia corymbosa					
round-headed Chinese houses					
Cordylanthus maritimus ssp. palustris					
Point Reyes bird's-beak					
Erigeron supplex					
supple daisy					
Erysimum menziesii ssp. eurekense					
Humboldt Bay wallflower					
Lathyrus palustris					
marsh pea					
Layia carnosa					
beach layia					
Lilium occidentale					
western lily					
Oenothera wolfii					
Wolf's evening-primrose					
Puccinellia pumila					
dwarf alkali-grass					
Sidalcea malachroides					
maple-leaved checkerbloom					
Sidalcea malvaeflora ssp. patula					
Siskiyou checkerbloom					
Viola palustris					
marsh violet					

GRASSLAND GUILD			
Castilleja mendocinensis Mendocino Coast Indian paintbrush	Erigeron decumbens var. robustior robust daisy		
Erigeron supplex	Fritillaria purdyi		
supple daisy	Purdy's fritillary		
Lilium occidentale western lily	Hemizonia congesta ssp. tracyi Tracy's tarplant		
Monardella villosa ssp. globosa robust monardella	Linanthus acicularis bristly linanthus		
Sidalcea malachroides maple-leaved checkerbloom	Melica spectabilis purple onion grass		
Sidalcea malvaeflora ssp. patula Siskiyou checkerbloom	Perideridia gairdneri ssp. gairdneri Gairdner's yampah		
Tracyina rostrata beaked tracyina	Wyethia longicaulis Humboldt County wyethia		

SHRUB / FOREST OPENING / YOUNG SERAL				
Arctostaphylos canescens ssp. sonomensis	Arctostaphylos hispidula			
Sonoma manzanita	Howell's manzanita			
Montia howellii	Lilium kelloggii			
Howell's montia	Kellogg's lily			
Sanicula tracyi	Lilium rubescens			
Tracy's sanicle	redwood lily			
Sidalcea malachroides	Lilium washingtonianum ssp. purpurascens purple-			
maple-leaved checkerbloom	flowered Washington lily			
Thermopsis robusta	Thermopsis gracilis			
robust false lupine	slender false lupine			

MID-SUCCESSIONAL / LATE SERAL / OLD GROWTH				
Boschniakia hookeri	Cypripedium montanum			
small groundcone	mountain lady's-slipper			
Lycopodium clavatum	Lilium kelloggii			
running-pine	Kellogg's lily			
Monotropa uniflora	Lilium rubescens			
Indian-pipe	redwood lily			
Montia howellii	Lilium washingtonianum ssp. purpurascens purple-			
Howell's montia	flowered Washington lily			
Sanicula tracyi	Listera cordata			
Tracy's sanicle	heart-leaved twayblade			
Sidalcea malachroides	Piperia candida			
maple-leaved checkerbloom	white-flowered rein orchid			
Sidalcea malvaeflora ssp. patula	Piperia michaelii			
Siskiyou checkerbloom	Michael's rein orchid			
	Pityopus californicus			
	California pinefoot			
	Ribes laxiflorum			
	trailing black currant			
	Tiarella trifoliata var. trifoliata			
	trifoliate laceflower			

OLD GROWTH GUILD			
Boschniakia hookeri Listera cordata			
small groundcone heart-leaved twayblade			
Monotropa uniflora Pityopus californicus			
Indian-pipe California pinefoot			

HARDWOOD GUILD			
Astragalus agnicidus	Astragalus umbraticus		
Humboldt milk-vetch	Bald Mtn. milk-vetch		
Boschniakia hookeri	Cypripedium montanum		
small groundcone	mountain lady's-slipper		
Monardella villosa ssp. globosa	Erigeron biolettii		
robust monardella	streamside daisy		
Monotropa uniflora			
Indian-pipe			
Sanicula tracyi	Lathyrus glandulosus		
Tracy's sanicle	sticky pea		
Sidalcea malachroides	Lilium rubescens		
maple-leaved checkerbloom	redwood lily		
Thermopsis robusta	Linanthus acicularis		
robust false lupine	bristly linanthus		
Tracyina rostrata	Perideridia gairdneri ssp. gairdneri		
beaked tracyina	Gairdner's yampah		
	Piperia michaelii		
	Michael's rein orchid		
	Pityopus californicus		
	California pinefoot		
	Thermopsis gracilis		
	slender false lupine		

RIPARIAN FO	REST AND WETLAND GUILD
Bensoniella oregona	Astragalus rattanii var. rattanii
bensoniella	Rattan's milk-vetch
Carex leptalea	Calamagrostis bolanderi
flaccid sedge	Bolander's reed grass
Carex praticola	Erigeron biolettii
meadow sedge	streamside daisy
Epilobium oreganum	Iliamna latibracteata
Oregon fireweed	California globe mallow
Glyceria grandis	Listera cordata
American manna grass	heart-leaved twayblade
Lathyrus palustris	Lycopus uniflorus
marsh pea	northern bugleweed
Lilium occidentale	Melica spectabilis
western lily	purple onion grass
Lycopodium clavatum	Pleuropogon refractus
running-pine	nodding semaphore grass
Microseris borealis	Ribes laxiflorum
northern microseris	trailing black currant
Montia howellii	Tiarella trifoliata var. trifoliata
Howell's montia	trifoliate laceflower
Sanguisorba officinalis ssp. microcephala	
great burnet	
Sidalcea malachroides	
maple-leaved checkerbloom	

GENERALIST GUILD			
Calamagrostis foliosa leafy reed grass	Cypripedium californicum California lady's-slipper		
Hesperolinon adenophyllum glandular western flax	Cypripedium fasciculatum clustered lady's-slipper		
Thlaspi californicum Kneeland Prairie pennycress	Epilobium septentrionale Humboldt County fuchsia		
	Erigeron biolettii streamside daisy		
	Sedum laxum ssp. flavidum pale yellow stonecrop		
	Tauschia glauca glaucous tauschia		

Notes

Coastal Guild: This guild includes the immediate coastal habitat types, such as Coastal Dunes, Coastal Bluffs, Coastal Scrub, Coastal Marshes, and Sitka Spruce Forest.

Generalist Guild: This guild comprises species associated with rock habitat types and species commonly restricted to serpentine substrates.